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NFACExtract(s) from Staff Meeting Minutes of 19 March 1979

Lehman briefed on the major Soviet field and command post exercises in the eastern part of the Soviet Union and Mongolia that is focusing on the Transbaykal Military District and Mongolia. He mentioned that NFAC is aware of the location of the bases for the transport flights, but where equipment is to be dropped remains unknown. Lehman speculated that the exercise is geared toward a possible Chinese threat. Noting the difficulty in reporting on this subject because of the piecemeal information available, the Director urged Hicks to have NFAC try to include a general sense of the entire exercise in its reporting.

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Alluding to an item in today's State Summary that Moscow was annoyed by the PDRY invasion of the YAR, the Director suggested that NFAC may want to analyze this possibility further. The Director also suggested that the status of Salih should be monitored carefully. (Action: NFAC) [REDACTED]

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Noting recent UPI reports that the Soviet navy was off the coast of Vietnam, the Director asked that these developments be monitored closely. (Action: NFAC) [REDACTED]

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Alluding to a press item about an FOIA request from the Church of Scientology (attached), Mr. Carlucci asked [] to provide him details in anticipation of possible questions this afternoon. Hetu said he saw the package before it was released, and the Agency apparently did consider designing an electronic device to shock enemy agents into submission.
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Provided to Mr. Carlucci
on 19 MAR for his review
and recommended that he
defer to Les Dukes if a MATTER
ARISES during hearing.
Subsequently, provided material
to Les Dukes & informed him
he would be looked to for
details during hearing.

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